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EXAMINING GROUP 2881
PATENT**
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 03180.0278

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Ryoichi INANAMI et al.) Group Art Unit: 2881
Application No.: 09/817,270) Examiner: Johnston, P.
Filed: March 27, 2001)
For: EXPOSURE PATTERN DATA)
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL

In reply to the final Office Action of April 8, 2004, the period for response to which extends through July 8, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and reexamination of the above-identified application based on the following remarks.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.